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In re Application of: :
Hwang, Kwang-Jo :
Serial No.: 09/648111 :
Filed: August 25, 2000 :
For: METHOD OF PATTERNING A METAL :
LAYER IN A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE :

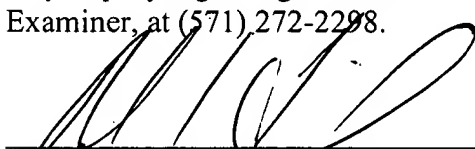
DECISION *SUA SPONTE*
WITHDRAWING HOLDING
OF ABANDONMENT

This is a decision, *sua sponte*, withdrawing the holding of abandonment of the above-identified application.

A decision denying a request for rehearing was mailed on November 13, 2008. The time for filing an appeal or commencing a civil action under 37 CFR 1.304 expires after two months. The application was held abandoned and a Notice of Abandonment was mailed on November 26, 2008.

Although no petition or request to withdraw the holding of abandonment in this application has been filed, the Notice of Abandonment is hereby vacated, the holding of abandonment withdrawn and the application restored to pending status. In view of the fact notice of abandonment was mailed prior to the expiration of the two month time period set in 37 CFR 1.304, the application is not abandoned in fact. Inconvenience to the applicant is regretted.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed to Kenneth Parker, Supervisory Patent Examiner, at (571) 272-2298.


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